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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hiroshi MORIKAWA NOA: June 18, 2009

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PETITION FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)(3)

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SIR:

Applicant herein petitions the Commissioner to invoke his supervisory authority to compel the Examiner to consider the Document (AO) cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 18, 2006.

The Information Disclosure Statement, in conformity with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98, was originally filed on December 18, 2006, together with an English language translation of the abstract of the Japanese Document (AO) and a copy of Document (AO). The above-referenced application has now been allowed. It does not appear that Document (AO) in the Information Disclosure Statement has been considered by the Examiner.

37 C.F.R. §1.181(a)(3) allows petition to invoke the supervisory authority of the Commissioner in appropriate circumstances. The Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98 since it was timely submitted with a showing of relevancy comprising the required English translation of the abstract of Document (AO). Copies of the Information Disclosure Statement including Document (AO) with the translation thereof may be found on PAIR as FOR. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that this Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 be granted and that the Examiner consider the

Information Disclosure Statement filed December 18, 2006, including Document (AO) cited therein.

Respectfully Submitted,

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